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Applicant

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CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE

Docket No.:

: PARCR 65989

Customer No.

: 24201

Mail Stop AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Office action mailed January 13, 2006, the response for which is due April 13, 2006. Reconsideration is requested.

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